

Wee R Kids

Winter 2014 Newsletter



Statutory Holidays:

The agency and all providers are closed all statutory holidays, parents are expected to find other care arrangements for all holidays. If the holiday falls on a weekend, we will be closed the following Monday in honour of the holiday.

WINTER HOLIDAYS:

December 24-January 5-Christmas/New Year Break

February 16-Family Day

Merry Winter, and of course Christmas!!

Accreditation has been sent in, and we have our visit dates, Anywhere from January 5-16, nothing like starting the year off with Accreditation visits!

You have all signed consent forms, please note that if your child cannot be interviewed or viewed, that child will need to stay home for the day or days that Accreditation is visiting. I am excited about the visit, it has been a long and busy year preparing, thank you to parents and providers for all of your help and support.

As Christmas comes close, please remember our Christmas families, we will again be donating to two wonderful Wee R Kids families who are in need of some help this season. Last year was a huge success, I am sure if we work as a team this year will be even better. We will need all donations in by December 17.

Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah and Happy New Year!!

angel



"Children need the freedom and time to play. Play is not a luxury. Play is a necessity."

~Kay Redfield Jamison

Weekly At The Library:

Monday:

Babes in the Library 10am-10:30am

Tuesday:

Time for 2's 10am-10:30am

Wednesday:

Stories and Stuff 10am-10:30am

Babes in the Library 10:45am-11:15am

Thursday:

Stories and Stuff 10am-10:30am

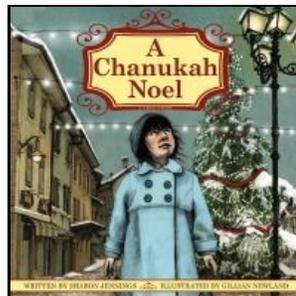
Rhyme Time 10am-11am

Friday:

Rhyme Time 10am-11am

Saturday:

Small and Tall 10am-10:30am



early literacy

A Chanukah Noel
By Sharon Jennings

When Charlotte and her family move to France, there is a lot to adjust to. Because she can't speak French, Charlotte is put in the lowest grade, which she doesn't like. And what she dislikes the most is when Colette, a girl in her class, calls her a "foreigner." But the holidays are coming, and Charlotte is fascinated by the preparations being made for Christmas-"Noël" in French. To her disappointment, her mother tells her that this is not for their family, they will have Chanukah instead. But when Charlotte learns that Colette's family will miss Christmas too, not because they are Jewish but because they are poor, she puts aside her hurt feelings and convinces her parents that they should give Christmas to Colette's family, as a gift.

Saturday's at the Galt

Activities and Crafts from the past.
Every Saturday at the Galt Museum
1pm call 320-3954 for more details
www.galtmuseum.com



Sik Ooh Kotoki Christmas Market

December 5 & 12
1709 2 Ave South
10am-6pm
Call 328-2414 for more information

Santa Walk 2014

All proceeds go to helping families in need.
Henderson Lake December 13 10am
\$25 registration all ages welcome
call 634-5099 for more details

30th Annual Christmas Turkey Dinner

Free Christmas Dinner 2014
Christmas Day
Lethbridge Seniors Citizens Organization
500 11 Street South
Everyone Welcome!
call 320-2222 for more details



A Christmas to Remember

Giving and delivering presents to seniors
To give presents visit Century 21 for tags, wrapping help needed on December 17 from 1:30pm-4pm
Delivery helpers needed on Christmas Eve.
Call Ed at 320-9363 or email him
At esandau@agecare.ca for more Information or to sign up.

Young Chefs

Ages 11-14 to learn valuable cooking skills and try new foods.
The program is FREE! All ingredients are provided and kids take food they make home.
Interfaith Chinook Country Kitchen
1103 3 Ave North
February 18, 19 & 20 1-3 During Reading Week
Call 320-8138 for more information

Hi Everyone,

Merry Christmas, I hope you are ready to enjoy some time with your family and celebrate the season.

Providers, please remember when Accreditation is coming, we will call and let you know when we know more. For those still on holidays in January, please remember to get your letters into us excusing you from Accreditation visits. This is I would suppose to ensure you have a reason for being closed.

Providers, please also note that our office will be closed from December 24-January 5. If you are open during that time, please feel free to call the office cell phone.

Providers, please make sure to get your end of month documents in as soon as you close this month, that way it will not be forgotten, any late documents will result in late pay. Remember also to add your accreditation top up hours in your paperwork.

Also a note, start thinking about your training goals for 2015, I will bring them out on my visits and we will go through them together.

Have a very Merry Christmas everyone!! A very Happy New Year well.

See you all in 2015!

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Stephanie Kerr December 5

Aurora Barnes December 9

it's your birthday!

monthly provider spotlight:

December: Claire Sullivan

January: Terri Wright

February: Stephanie Kerr



Ingredients:

1 cup butter or 1 cup margarine

1 cup sugar

1 large egg

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

2 teaspoons baking powder

2 3/4 cups flour



Cream butter and sugar. Add egg and vanilla. Mix all dry ingredients and add slowly to butter cream mixture until incorporated. Roll out on lightly floured board to desired thickness.

Cutout 2-1/2 and bake at 400 degrees for 7-10 minutes. Should be light in colour with a light browning on edges.

christmas sugar cookies

winter safety tips for parents:

- Check often to see that your child is warm and dry. Younger children should take regular breaks and come inside for a warm drink.
- Never send children outside in extreme weather conditions such as snowstorms.
- Do not send your child outside to play if the temperature or the wind-chill is reported as -27°C (-16°F) or lower. At these temperatures, exposed skin will begin to freeze.
- Help children choose play areas with a warm shelter nearby (e.g., near home or a friend's home).
- Apply sunscreen to exposed skin, even when it's cloudy.